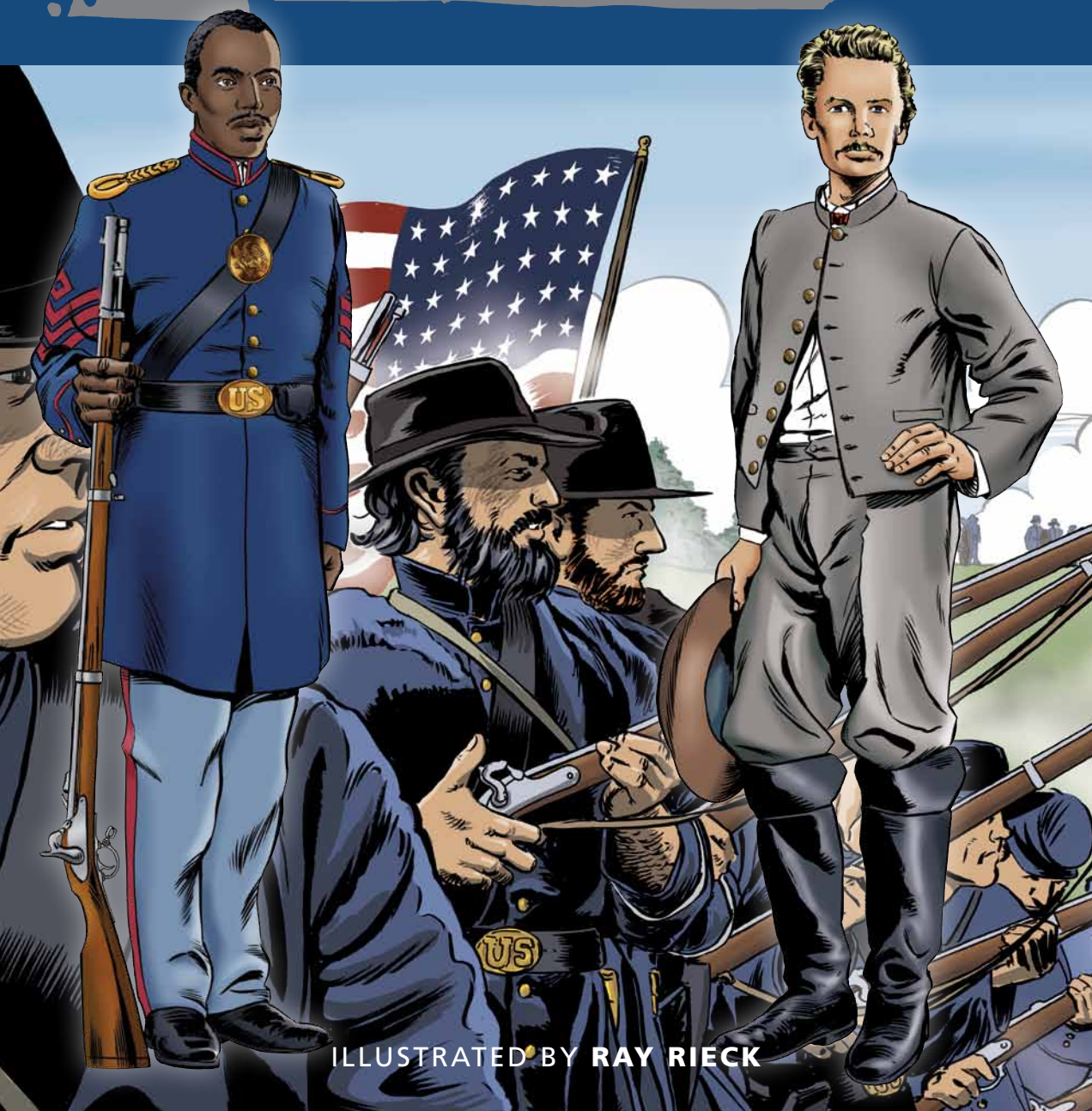


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KENTUCKIANS IN THE CIVIL WAR ERA

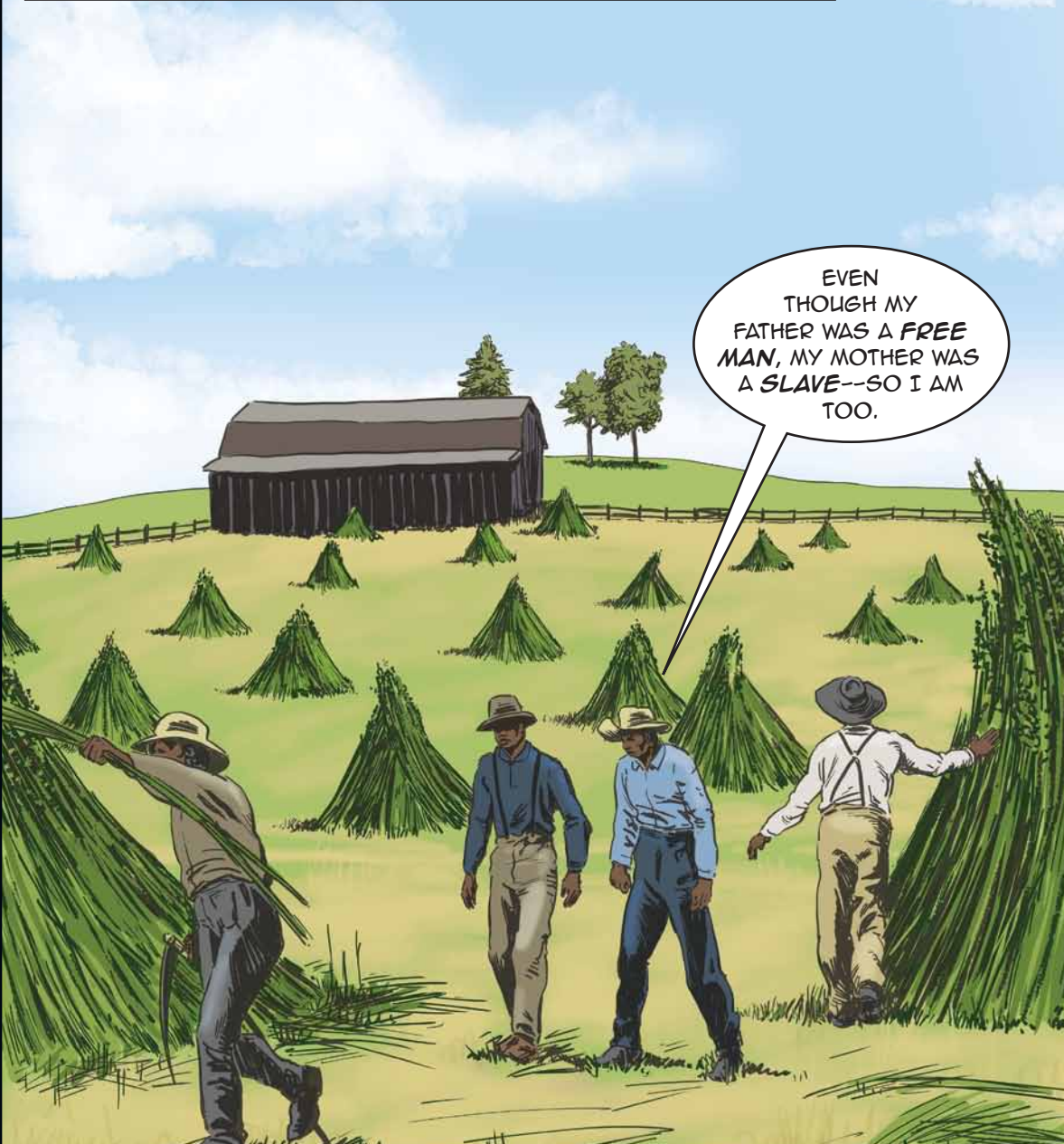


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COMPROMISE!
WAR OVER SLAVERY WILL
DESTROY THE UNION!

SLAVERY
WILL **NOT** EXPAND
TO THE NEW
TERRITORIES!

KENTUCKY **MADE** AND **GREW** THINGS--AND **TRADED** WITH **BOTH NORTH AND SOUTH**. IN ADDITION TO CROPS, CLOTH, AND LIVESTOCK, KENTUCKIANS **SOLD** THOUSANDS OF **SLAVES** TO OTHER STATES. NOT ONLY WAS THIS **PROFITABLE**, BUT THE THREAT OF SALE WAS OFTEN USED TO **DISCOURAGE** SLAVE RESISTANCE.



EVEN
THOUGH MY
FATHER WAS A **FREE**
MAN, MY MOTHER WAS
A **SLAVE**--SO I AM
TOO.

KENTUCKY PRODUCTS CROSSED THE GLOBE AND **TIED** THE STATE TO **WORLD MARKETS**. HEMP WAS TURNED INTO BAGS FOR SOUTHERN COTTON AND ROPE FOR NORTHERN SHIPS. KENTUCKY HORSES, MULES, AND HOGS WERE PRIZED BY FARMERS IN BOTH THE NORTH AND SOUTH. TOBACCO GROWN AND PACKAGED IN KENTUCKY TRAVELED TO NEW ORLEANS AND WAS SHIPPED TO ENGLAND AND FRANCE.

KENTUCKY TRIED TO BE **NEUTRAL** WHEN THE WAR BEGAN, BUT THEN SUPPORTED THE UNION IN THE HOPES THAT THE WAR COULD BE **ENDED QUICKLY** WITHOUT HURTING KENTUCKY'S **PROSPERITY**. MOST UNIONIST KENTUCKIANS STILL **SUPPORTED SLAVERY**, BUT THEY WERE ALSO **ANGRY** AT THE CONFEDERATES, WHO THEY BELIEVED HAD **FORCED** THE COUNTRY INTO WAR.

CONFEDERATE TROOPS **INVADED** KENTUCKY IN 1862 AND **CAPTURED** FRANKFORT, BUT WERE SOON **FORCED OUT** AGAIN.

WE CAPTURED A
UNION CAPITOL!

I JUST HOPE WE
CAN **KEEP** IT.



IN KENTUCKY, AS IN OTHER BORDER STATES, THE WAR *DIVIDED* FAMILIES, TOWNS, AND NEIGHBORHOODS. THE 15TH KENTUCKY INFANTRY (U.S.A.) AND 2ND KENTUCKY (C.S.A.) *SHOUTED* NEWS FROM HOME AND QUESTIONS ABOUT FRIENDS AND LOVED ONES TO ONE ANOTHER IN BETWEEN GUNSHOTS WHEN THE TWO UNITS *FOUGHT* ONE AGAINST ANOTHER IN MAY 1864.

HENRY LANE STONE TRAVELED TO KENTUCKY TO FIGHT FOR THE CONFEDERACY WHILE HIS BROTHER VALENTINE FOUGHT FOR THE UNION.

MY BROTHER'S
FIGHTING FOR THE
CONFEDERACY.

I HOPE
I DON'T RUN
INTO HIM.



THE LONG WAR LEFT KENTUCKY'S ECONOMY IN TATTERS. PRIZED **LIVESTOCK** WAS STOLEN BY SOLDIERS OF BOTH SIDES AND ORDINARY CITIZENS WERE HARD PRESSED TO MAKE ENDS MEET.

AT LEAST
LEAVE ME THE
PLOW HORSE!

HOW WILL WE
MAKE IT THROUGH THE
WINTER NOW?

FARMERS COULD FILE **CLAIMS** IF THEIR ANIMALS WERE **STOLEN** BY EITHER ARMY, BUT THEY RARELY GOT THEIR MONEY BACK.



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NO MORE
SLAVE CLOTHES
FOR ME!

IS PA
FIGHTING FOR
OUR FREEDOM?

WIVES AND CHILDREN OF EX-SLAVES
WHO SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES

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THE WAR *ENDED*, BUT IT BROUGHT LITTLE PEACE. SLAVERY REMAINED LEGAL IN KENTUCKY UNTIL **DECEMBER 6, 1865**, WITH THE RATIFICATION OF THE **13TH AMENDMENT**. MANY WHITE KENTUCKIANS FELT *BETRAYED*. THEY FELT THEY HAD STAYED IN THE UNION TO *DEFEND* SLAVERY, NOT *DESTROY* IT.

THE
GOVERNMENT DID
WHAT?!

I DIDN'T
FIGHT TO
FREE MY OWN
SLAVES.

PROCLAMATION:
**SLAVERY
OUTLAWED**

13TH AMENDMENT PASSED

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS MAY COME, GREETING:—
Know ye, that, whereas, the Congress of the United States, on the 1st of February last, passed a resolution, which is in the words following, namely: "A resolution submitting to the Legislatures of the several States a proposition to amend the Constitution of United States:—
Resolved, By the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, two-thirds of both houses concurring, that the following article be proposed to the Legislatures of the several States, which, when ratified by three-fourths of said Legislatures, shall be valid to all intents and purposes as a part of said constitution, namely:—
ARTICLE 13—SECTION 1—Neither slavery nor involuntary servitude


LIFE WAS HARD FOR AFRICAN AMERICANS AFTER THE WAR. MANY WHITE KENTUCKIANS USED POLITICS AND VIOLENCE TO DENY THEM THEIR NEW RIGHTS. THOUSANDS OF FORMER SLAVES LEFT THEIR HOMES TO AVOID VIOLENCE, BUT THEY CONTINUED TO WORK TO EDUCATE THEIR CHILDREN AND IMPROVE THEIR LIVES.



GO HIDE IN
THE WOODS--TAKE
THE BOOKS!

MANY AFRICAN AMERICANS EMBRACED THEIR **FREEDOM** BY MOVING TO KENTUCKY'S LARGER CITIES OR FLEEING KENTUCKY IN SEARCH OF **ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY, SOCIAL STABILITY, AND SAFETY.**

KENTUCKY REMAINED A **LAWLESS** PLACE AFTER THE WAR. ARMED GROUPS DID AS THEY WISHED, AND THE GOVERNMENT OFTEN **IGNORED** THE PROBLEM. IN CITIES LIKE LEXINGTON, FRANKFORT, VERSAILLES, PARIS, AND HARRODSBURG, **RIOTS** FREQUENTLY KEPT AFRICAN AMERICANS FROM **VOTING**.



I FOUGHT
FOR THIS COUNTRY,
AND IT'S MY **RIGHT** TO
VOTE.

GET OUT OF
TOWN. VOTING'S
FOR **WHITE FOLKS**
ONLY!